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I plan to review with you briefly the many levels of rivalry and of actual and potential conflict which concern us around the world. I will do this briefly with a quick look at what we see ahead. Then my colleagues will deal in some greater detail with those areas for which they are responsible.

The Soviets have already achieved strategic nuclear capabilities widely perceived to be at least equal to those of the United States. During the past year they further improved the striking power of their offensive forces, with deployment of additional MIRVed ICBMs and SLBMs, the SS-20 missile, and BACKFIRE bomber.

We see no indications of any let-up in their effort to develop and deploy improved strategic weapons of virtually every type. We see initial deployment of AWACs aircraft in 1983, of new MIRVed missiles for the Typhoon submarine in 1984, cruise missiles launched at sea in 1984 and launched from planes in 1986, solid propellant missiles for mobile deployment in 1984, and a new long range B-1 type bomber in 1986. Although there will always be uncertainties, it is our best estimate that,

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The Soviets are upgrading missile defenses at Moscow, constructing new large radars and developing new ABM systems and components. This will give them several options for widespread ABM deployment in the late 1980s and 1990s.

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